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SUBJECT: IVP: NOMINATION OF VARDBERG GROUP

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1. MISSION ADVISES THAT IT IS TENTATIVELY COMMITTING A MAXIMUM \$6,050 OF ITS FY-75 IVP ALLOTMENT TO PAY U.S. COSTS OF SIX TO EIGHT DAY VISIT TO NEW YORK, WASHINGTON AND CINCLANT/NORFOLK BY 19 OR 22 MEMBERS OF VARDBERG, THE ATLANTIC YOUTH ASSOCIATION OF ICELAND. VARDBERG MEMBERS WOULD PAY ROUND-TRIP REYKJAVIK-NYC-REYKJAVIK AIR TRAVEL.

2. VISITING GROUP WILL CONSIST OF EQUAL NUMBERS OF INDEPENDENCE, PROGRESSIVE AND SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY MEMBERS, ESCORTED BY NATO INFORMATION SERVICE OFFICER IN ICELAND, MAGNUS THORDARSON.

3. MISSION ENVISIONS CHARTER BUS TRANSPORTATION WITH FIRST TWO DAYS IN WASHINGTON, SECOND TWO DAYS AT CINCLANT AND LAST TWO DAYS IN NEW YORK. MISSION WILL OFFER VARDBERG THE OPTION OF SUCH A SIX DAY TOUR FOR 22 PARTICIPANTS (\$4,960), OR AN EIGHT-DAY TOUR FOR 19 PARTICIPANTS (\$5,850 TO \$6,050), LATTER TOUR WOULD INCLUDE VISIT TO A SMALLER AMERICAN TOWN EN ROUTE IN WHICH HOME HOSPITALITY COULD BE OFFERED.

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4. MISSION WILL NOT BE ABLE SUBMIT NAMES PARTICIPANTS UNTIL
SELECTION MADE BY VARDBERG.

5. MISSION ADVISING VARDBERG THAT TRAVEL MUST BE BEFORE JUNE
30, 1975. ALSO ADVISING: (1) DATES MARCH 10-22 NOT POSSIBLE DUE
TO MHI COMMITMENTS, (2) WORD STILL BEING AWAITED ON OPTIMAL DATES
FOR CINCLANT VISIT.
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